

**Amendments to the Specification:**

1. Page 1, after first paragraph, insert the following:

**---BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION**

1. **Field of the Invention---**;

2. Page 1, after line 10, insert the following:

**---2. Discussion of Background Information---**;

3. Page 3, after line 9, insert the following:

**---SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION**

The present invention provides a cosmetic or dermatological composition which comprises from 0.1 % to 10 % by weight of a silicone oil, from 0.1 % to 15 % by weight of a fatty alcohol, from 0.1 % to 4 % by weight of a dicaprylyl ether, from 0.1 % to 10 % by weight of an emulsifier selected from one or more of stearic acid and stearates, from 0.1 % to 15 % by weight of a moisturizer, and from 0.1 % to 7 % by weight of a metal oxide pigment having a particle size of from 5 to 50  $\mu\text{m}$ .

In one aspect of the composition, the silicone oil may comprise dimethicone and/or cyclomethicone.

In another aspect, the composition may comprise from 2 % to 4 % by weight of the silicone oil.

In yet another aspect of the composition, the fatty alcohol may comprise octyldodecanol

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and/or myristyl alcohol.

In yet another aspect, the composition may comprise from 1 % to 7 % by weight of the fatty alcohol.

In a still further aspect of the composition, the emulsifier may comprise stearic acid and/or glyceryl stearate and/or sorbitan stearate.

In another aspect, the composition may comprise from 2 % to 5 % by weight of the emulsifier.

In yet another aspect, the composition may further comprise a coemulsifier. By way of non-limiting example, the coemulsifier may comprise sorbitan oleate and/or eucerite.

In a still further aspect, the moisturizer may comprise glycerol.

In another aspect, the composition may comprise from 4 % to 10 % by weight of the moisturizer.

In yet another aspect of the composition, the metal oxide pigment may comprise titanium dioxide, silicon dioxide, a tin oxide, an iron oxide, or any combination of two or more thereof.

In still another aspect, the composition may comprise from 3 % to 4 % by weight of the metal oxide pigment.

In yet another aspect, the composition of the present invention may further comprise a self-tanning substance such as, e.g., 1,3-dihydroxyacetone, and/or from 0.1 % to 10 % by weight of at least one skin whitening agent and/or from 1 % to 25 % by weight of at least one repellent agent such as, e.g., ethyl 3-(N-n-butyl-N-acetylamino)propionate.

The present invention also provides an emulsion, e.g., an O/W emulsion, which

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comprises the composition of the present invention, including the various aspects thereof.

The present invention further provides a body lotion and a face cream which comprise the composition of the present invention, including the various aspects thereof.

The present invention also provides a method of reducing the stickiness of a glycerol-containing cosmetic or dermatological composition. The method comprises the incorporation of the glycerol in the composition of the present invention, with the glycerol constituting, or being a part of, the moisturizer component thereof.---

4. Page 14, before first paragraph, insert and center the following:

---DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE INVENTION---

5. Page 16, first line, please change "Claims" to ---WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:---.
6. Page 18, first line, please change "Abstract" to ---ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE---